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Turkey Addendum

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2004 TURKEY ADDENDUM

1 The application period for spring 2004 turkey permits will be from December 2, 2003-December 29, 2003.

2 Landowners interested in obtaining landowner turkey permits must contact the regional Division office in their area November 15, 2003 through December 15, 2003 to be eligible for the landowner turkey permit drawing.

3 Under the landowner turkey permit program, landowners can designate lessees to receive permits. Also, for purposes of the landowner turkey permit program, **"Immediate family"** means the landowner's or lessee's spouse, children, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepchildren, and grandchildren. **At the time of application, the landowner must identify the designee who will receive the permit.**

4 Applicants may select up to three hunt unit choices when applying for limited entry turkey permits. Hunt unit choices must be listed in order of preference.

5 Up to 15 percent of the limited entry permits authorized for taking Merriam's and Rio Grande turkeys are available to youth hunters. **"Youth"** means any person 12 to 18 years of age on the posting date of the wild turkey drawing. Youth hunters who wish to participate in the youth limited entry wild turkey permit drawing must submit an application in accordance with Section III.B. Application Procedure for Wild Turkey. Bonus points shall be used when applying for youth turkey permits in accordance with Section III.G. Waiting periods will be incurred by youths who successfully draw a permit in accordance with Section III.F. Youth who apply for a turkey permit as outlined in Section III.B. Application Procedure for Wild Turkey. will automatically be considered in the youth permit drawing based on their birth date.

6 Any person who obtained a Merriam's turkey permit in 2003 may not apply for or obtain a Merriam's or Rio Grande turkey permit in 2004 or 2005.

- Any person who obtained a Rio Grande turkey permit in 2002 may not apply for or obtain a Rio Grande or Merriam's turkey permit in 2004.

- Any person who obtained a Rio Grande turkey permit in 2003 may not apply for or obtain a Rio Grande or Merriam's turkey permit in 2004 or 2005.

Waiting periods do not apply to the purchase of turkey permits remaining after the drawing, conservation permits, landowner permits or Poaching-Reported Reward Permits.

7 Applications (except for landowner turkey permits) along with license, permit and handling fees will be accepted through the Division's Internet address at: wildlife.utah.gov

8 Be sure to enter the correct **"blue"** 3-digit hunt number from the tables in this addendum on the turkey application for the hunts that you are applying for.

9 If you purchase a small game or combination license before or after submitting an application requesting one, you will not be refunded for the license.

10 A turkey permit allows a person using any legal weapon to take one male turkey within the area and season specified on the permit.

11 PRIVATE LANDS: While taking wildlife or engaging in wildlife related activities, a person may not, without the written permission of the owner or person in charge, enter upon privately owned land that is cultivated or properly posted. **"Cultivated land"** means land which is readily identifiable as : 1) land whose soil is loosened or broken up for the raising of crops; 2) land used for the raising of crops; or 3) pasturage which is artificially irrigated. The DWR cannot guarantee access to any private land. If you plan to hunt in an area that is made up of all or mostly private lands, you must also obtain WRITTEN permission from the landowner or person in charge.

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2004 Turkey Addendum

to the 2003-2004 Upland Game Proclamation

I. Purpose and Authority

R657-6-1

(1) Under authority of Sections 23-14-18 and 23-14-19 of the Utah Code and in accordance with 50 CFR 20, 2002 edition, the Wildlife Board has established this Turkey Addendum to the Upland Game Proclamation for taking upland game.

(2) Turkey season dates, bag and possession limits, areas open, number of permits and other administrative details that may change annually are published herein. Hunters must comply with this addendum in addition to the general provisions, methods of take, requirements and other administrative details provided in Rule R657-6 and the Upland Game Proclamation of the Wildlife Board.

(3) This Turkey Addendum expires May 31, 2004, unless modified or rescinded by the Wildlife Board Or The Director Of The Division Of Wildlife Resources.

II. Definitions

23-13-2 & R657-6-2

(1) "**Immediate family**" means the landowner's lessee, or landowner's or lessee's spouse, children, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepchildren, and grandchildren.

(2) "**Landowner**" means any individual, family or corporation who owns property in Utah and whose name appears on the deed as the owner of eligible property or whose name appears as the purchaser on a contract for sale of eligible property.

III. Wild Turkey Rules

Limited entry wild turkey areas are divided into two categories, Merriam's and Rio Grande. Turkey populations in these areas are dominated by the subspecies indicated. However, mixed flocks may be present in a described area. Either subspecies of wild turkey is legal in a limited entry area. Some of these areas consist primarily of private land; hunters should obtain permission to hunt prior to applying for these areas. The Division cannot guarantee access.

Annually, during the winter months of December, January and February, Division biologists trap a select number of male and female Rio Grande and Merriam's turkeys from limited entry hunting units. Birds are relocated and released to supplement existing turkey flocks or to establish new turkey populations throughout the state. Trapping and transplanting efforts are responsible for Utah's current turkey populations. Winter trapping provides the highest success for relocating birds. Sufficient turkeys are left in areas where trapping occurs to accommodate spring hunters. Annual transplants are an integral part of Utah's turkey management program and will continue into the future.

A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

(1) A person may obtain only one turkey permit each year, except conservation turkey permits as provided in Section V.(2).

(2) A turkey permit allows a person using any legal weapon to take one male turkey within the area and season specified on the permit.

B. APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR WILD TURKEY

R657-6-6

(1) Applications for wild turkey will be available by December 2, 2003 from Division offices, license agents, and through the Division's Internet address: wildlife.utah.gov. Residents and nonresidents may apply.

(2)(a) Group applications are not accepted. A person may not apply more than once annually.

(b) Applicants may select up to three hunt unit choices when applying for limited entry turkey permits. Hunt unit choices must be listed in order of preference.

(3) To apply for a resident permit, a person must establish residency at the time of purchase.

(4) The posting date of the drawing shall be considered the purchase date of a permit.

(5)(a) A 2004 small game or combination license may be obtained before applying, or will be issued upon successfully drawing a permit.

(b) The small game or combination license number or fee must be submitted with the application.

(6)(a) Applications must be submitted in one of the following ways:

(i) through the mail to: Utah Wildlife Administrative Services, P.O. Box 30389, Salt Lake City, Utah 84130-0389; or

(ii) through an overnight mail service to: Utah Wildlife Administrative Services, 185 N. Maine Street, Fallon, Nevada 89406; or

(iii) through the Division's Internet address: wildlife.utah.gov. (Landowner turkey permit applications will not be accepted through the Internet.)

(b) Applications must be received at the Utah Wildlife Administrative Services' P.O. Box, through an overnight mail service at the Utah Wildlife Administrative Services' street address, or through the Division's Internet address, no later than 5 p.m., December 29, 2003. Allow the Post Office time to process the mail. This is not a drop box. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources cannot guarantee delivery. Check with your local postmaster for service. Overnight mail cannot be delivered to a Post Office box.

(c) If an error is found on an application, those applications received through the mail, through an overnight mail service, or through the Division's Internet address by 5 p.m. December 22, 2003, may receive an application correction letter. Corrections by the applicant can only be made using the personalized and numbered application correction letter mailed to the applicant. Corrections must be mailed to the address identified in the application correction letter and received no later than the date indicated in the letter.

(d) Through the correction letter process, any fee errors must be corrected with a money order or cashier's check.

(e) The opportunity to correct an error is not guaranteed. The Division reserves the right to correct applications without sending a correction letter.

(7)(a) Late applications received by January 12, 2004 will not be considered in the drawing, but will be processed for the purpose of entering data into the Division's draw database to provide:

(i) future preprinted applications;

(ii) notification by mail of late application and other draw opportunities; and

(iii) reevaluation of Division errors and any third-party errors.

(b) The \$5 handling fee will be used to process the late application. Any permit fees submitted with the application will be refunded.

(c) Late applications received after January 12, 2004 will not be processed and will be returned.

(8) Each application must include:

- (a) the \$5 nonrefundable handling fee;
- (b) the limited entry turkey permit fee; and
- (c) the small game or combination license fee, if it has not yet been purchased.

(9)(a) Personal checks, business checks, money orders, cashier's checks, and American Express, Discover, MasterCard and VISA credit cards are accepted.

(b) Personal and business checks drawn on an out-of-state account are not accepted.

(c) Third-party checks are not accepted.

(d) All payments must be made payable to the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources.

(10)(a) Credit cards must be valid at least 30 days after the drawing results are posted.

(b) Handling fees are charged to the credit card when the application is processed.

(11)(a) An application is voidable if the check is returned unpaid from the bank or the credit card is invalid or refused.

(b) The Division charges a \$20 returned check collection fee for any check returned unpaid.

(12) The drawing results will be posted by February 4, 2004.

(13)(a) Any permits remaining after the drawing are available only by mail-in request.

(b) Requests for remaining permits must include:

- (i) full name, complete mailing address, phone number, date of birth, weight, height, sex, color of hair and eyes, Social Security number, and driver's license number (if available);
- (ii) proof of hunter education certification, if applicable;
- (iii) small game or combination license number or fees; and
- (iv) the permit fee.

(c) Requests must be submitted to Division of Wildlife Resources, P.O. Box 168888, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-8888.

(d) Requests will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis beginning February 13, 2004. Residents and nonresidents may purchase any of the remaining permits.

(14) Licenses and permits are mailed to successful applicants.

(15) A license or permit received by a person shall be deemed invalid if payment is not received for that license or permit, or a check is returned unpaid from the bank or the credit card is invalid or refused.

(16) Hunting with a permit where payment has not been received for that permit constitutes a violation of hunting without a valid permit.

C. APPLICATION WITHDRAWAL

R657-6-6

(1) An applicant may withdraw their application for the wild turkey permit drawing by requesting such in writing by January 12, 2004.

(2) The applicant must send their notarized signature with a statement requesting that their application be withdrawn to the Salt Lake Division office.

(3) Handling fees will not be refunded.

D. APPLICATION AMENDMENTS

R657-6-6

(1)(a) An applicant may amend their application for the wild turkey permit drawing by requesting such in writing by the initial application deadline.

(b) An amendment form is available at Division offices and through the Division's Internet address: wildlife.utah.gov, which requests all of the necessary information to amend an application.

(2) The applicant must send their notarized signature with a statement requesting that their application be amended to the Salt Lake Division office.

(3) The applicant must identify in their statement the requested amendment to their application.

(4) An amendment may cause rejection if the amendment causes an error on the application.

E. YOUTH HUNTING

R657-6-38

(1)(a) Up to 15 percent of the limited entry permits authorized for taking Merriam's and Rio Grande turkeys are available to youth hunters.

(b) For purposes of this section "youth" means any person 12 to 18 years of age on the posting date of the wild turkey drawing.

(2)(a) Youth hunters who wish to participate in the youth limited entry wild turkey permit drawing must submit an application in accordance with Section III.B. Application Procedure for Wild Turkey.

(b) Youth who apply for a turkey permit in accordance with Section III.B., will automatically be considered in the youth permit drawing based on their birth date.

(3)(a) Bonus points shall be used when applying for youth turkey permits in accordance with Section III.G.

(b) Waiting periods will be incurred in accordance with Section III.F.

F. WAITING PERIOD

R657-6-6

(1)(a) Any person who obtained a Rio Grande turkey permit in 2002 or 2003 may not apply for or obtain a Rio Grande or Merriam's turkey permit in 2004, except as provided in Subsection (2).

(b) Any person who obtained a Merriam's turkey permit in 2003 may not apply for or obtain a Merriam's or Rio Grande turkey permit in 2004 or 2005, except as provided in Subsection (2).

(2)(a) Waiting periods do not apply to the purchase of turkey permits remaining after the drawing. However, waiting periods are incurred as a result of purchasing remaining permits. Therefore, if a remaining permit is purchased in the current year, waiting periods will be in effect when applying in the drawing in following years.

(b) Waiting periods do not apply to conservation permits, landowner permits or Poaching Reported Reward Permits.

G. BONUS POINTS

R657-6-6

(1) Bonus points are used to improve odds for drawing permits. The Bonus Point System for Utah wild turkey was effective beginning in 2000.

(2) A bonus point is awarded for:

(a) a valid unsuccessful application when applying for a permit in the turkey drawing; or

(b) a valid application when applying for a bonus point in the turkey drawing.

(3) A bonus point will not be awarded for an unsuccessful landowner application.

(4)(a) A person may apply for one turkey bonus point each year, except a person may not apply in the drawing for both a turkey permit and a turkey bonus point in the same year.

(b) A person may not apply for a bonus point if that person is ineligible to apply for a permit.

(c) Group applications will not be accepted when applying for bonus points.

(5)(a) Each applicant receives a random drawing number for:

(i) the current valid turkey application; and

(ii) each bonus point accrued.

(b) The applicant will retain the lowest random number for the drawing.

(6)(a) Fifty percent of the permits for each hunt unit will be reserved for applicants with bonus points.

(b) Based on the applicant's first choice, the reserved permits will be designated by a random drawing number to eligible applicants with the greatest number of bonus points.

(c) If reserved permits remain, the reserved permits will be designated by random number to eligible applicants with the next greatest number of bonus points.

(d) The procedure in Subsection (c) will continue until all reserved permits have been issued or no applications for that hunt unit remain.

(e) Any reserved permits remaining and any applicants who were not selected for reserved permits will be returned to the drawing.

(7) Bonus points are forfeited if a person obtains a wild turkey permit except as provided in Subsection (8).

(8) Bonus points are not forfeited if:

(a) a person is successful in obtaining a Conservation Permit or Sportsman Permit;

(b) a person obtains a landowner permit; or

(c) a person obtains a Poaching-Reported Reward Permit.

(9) Bonus points are not transferable.

(10) Bonus points are tracked using social security numbers or Division-issued hunter identification numbers.

H. SITTING OR ROOSTING TURKEYS

R657-6-18

A person may not take or attempt to take any turkey sitting or roosting in a tree.

I. LIVE DECOYS AND ELECTRONIC CALLS

R657-6-16

A person may not take a wild turkey by the use or aid of live decoys, records or tapes of turkey calls or sounds, or electronically amplified imitations of turkey calls.

J. FIREARMS AND ARCHERY TACKLE

R657-6-9

Wild turkey may be taken only with a bow and broadhead arrows, or a shotgun no larger than 10 gauge and no smaller than 20 gauge, firing shot sizes between BB and no. 6.

K. TAGGING REQUIREMENTS

23-20-30 & R657-6-21

(1) The carcass of a turkey must be tagged before the carcass is moved from, or the hunter leaves, the site of kill.

(2) To tag a carcass, a person shall:

(a) completely detach the tag from the license or permit;

(b) completely remove the appropriate notches to correspond with:

(i) the date the animal was taken;

(ii) the sex of the animal; and

(c) attach the tag to the carcass so that the tag remains securely fastened and visible.

(3) A person may not:

(a) remove more than one notch indicating date or sex; or

(b) tag more than one carcass using the same tag.

(4) A person may not hunt or pursue turkey after any of the notches have been removed from the tag or the tag has been detached from the permit.

L. IDENTIFICATION OF SPECIES AND SEX

R657-6-22

The head must remain attached to the carcass of wild turkey while being transported to permit species and sex identification.

IV. Fees

R657-6-36

(1) The Division charges a \$20 returned check collection fee for any checks returned unpaid from the bank.

(2)(a) A license or permit received by a person shall be deemed invalid if payment for that license or permit is not received, or a check is returned unpaid from the bank, or the credit card is invalid or refused.

(b) Hunting with a permit where payment has not been received for that permit constitutes a violation of hunting without a valid permit.

A. RESIDENT FEES

Combination license (12 years of age or older)\$34

Small game license (12-13 years of age)\$11

Small game license (14 years of age or older)\$17

Resident limited entry wild turkey permit*\$35

Resident landowner wild turkey permit*\$35

(*includes \$5 nonrefundable handling fee)

B. NONRESIDENT FEES

Small game license (12 years of age or older)\$45

Nonresident limited entry wild turkey permit*\$60

Nonresident landowner wild turkey permit*\$60

(*includes a \$5 nonrefundable handling fee)

V. Conservation Permits for Wild Turkey

R657-41

(1) Wild turkey conservation permits are distributed under Rule R657-41 as adopted by the Wildlife Board. Any conservation organization that is tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code, Section 501C-3 may submit an application to the Division by September 1 each year for the following year's permits.

(2) A person may obtain wild turkey conservation permits in addition to obtaining a limited entry, landowner or remaining wild turkey permit.

(3) Any person interested in wild turkey conservation permits may contact Upland Game Coordinator Dean Mitchell by e-mail at deanmitchell@utah.gov or call (801) 538-4786 for specific details and a copy of the rule.

VI. Landowner Permits

R657-6-7

(1) Up to an additional 20 percent of the limited entry permits authorized for taking Merriam's and Rio Grande turkeys are available to private landowners through a drawing.

(2) Landowners interested in obtaining landowner permits must contact the regional Division office in their area November 15 through December 15, 2003 to be eligible for the landowner permit drawing and to obtain an application.

(3)(a) Landowner permit applications that are not signed by the local Division representative will be rejected.

(b) Landowner permit applications must be submitted in accordance with Section III.B. Application Procedure for Wild Turkey.

(i) Landowner permit applications will not be accepted through the Internet.

(4)(a) A landowner who owns at least 640 acres of essential habitat that supports wild Merriam's turkeys, or at least 20 acres of essential habitat that supports wild Rio Grande turkeys, within any of the open limited entry areas for wild turkeys is eligible to participate in the drawing for available landowner turkey permits.

(b) Land qualifying as essential habitat and owned by more than one landowner may qualify for a landowner permit. However, the landowners who own the qualifying land must determine the landowner who will be participating in the drawing.

(c) "Essential habitat" means areas where wild turkeys regularly and consistently roost, feed, loaf, nest or winter.

(5)(a) A landowner who applies for a landowner permit may:

(i) be issued the permit; or

(ii) designate a member of the landowner's immediate family or landowner's regular full-time employee to receive the permit.

(b) At the time of application, the landowner must identify the designee who will receive the permit.

(c) The landowner permit may be used only on the open limited entry area in which the landowner's property is located during the open season established for hunting wild turkeys.

(6) The drawing results for landowner permits will be posted February 4, 2004.

(7) Any landowner permits remaining after the landowner drawing shall be converted to public limited entry permits for that specific unit. These permits shall be issued through the limited entry drawing. Therefore, the number of public permits listed on the limited entry hunt tables in this addendum may increase.

(8)(a) A waiting period does not apply to landowners applying for landowner permits.

(b) A landowner may apply once annually for a landowner permit and a limited entry permit, but may only draw or obtain one permit.

VII. Poaching-Reported Reward Permits

R657-6-35

(1) Any person who provides information leading to another person's arrest and successful prosecution for wanton destruction of a wild turkey under Section 23-20-4, within any limited entry area may receive a permit from the Division to hunt wild turkey in the following year on the same limited entry area where the violation occurred, except as provided in Subsection (2).

(2)(a) In the event that issuance of a Poaching-Reported Reward Permit would exceed 5 percent of the total number of limited entry permits issued in the following year for the respective area, a permit shall not be issued for that respective area. As an alternative, the Division may issue a permit as outlined in Subsection (b).

(b) A permit for a wild turkey, on an alternative limited entry area that has been allocated more than 20 permits, may be issued.

(3)(a) The Division may issue only one Poaching-Reported Reward Permit for any one wild turkey illegally taken.

(b) No more than one Poaching-Reported Reward Permit shall be issued to any one person per successful prosecution.

(c) No more than one Poaching-Reported Reward Permit shall be issued to any one person in any one calendar year.

(4)(a) Poaching-Reported Reward permits may only be issued to the person who provides the most pertinent information leading to a successful prosecution. Permits are not transferrable.

(b) If information is received from more than one person, the director of the Division shall make a determination based on the facts of the case, as to which person provided the most pertinent information leading to the successful prosecution in the case.

(c) The person providing the most pertinent information shall qualify for the Poaching-Reported Reward Permit.

(5) Any person who receives a Poaching-Reported Reward Permit must be eligible to hunt and obtain wild turkey permits as provided in all rules and regulations of the Wildlife Board and the Wildlife Resources Code.

(6) For purposes of this section, "successful prosecution" means the screening, filing of charges and subsequent adjudication for the poaching incident.



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Poaching is a crime

Simply defined "poaching" is any illegal taking of fish, game or nongame wildlife. It is not a crime committed against the Division of Wildlife Resources, but a crime affecting all citizens of the State of Utah. Poachers steal from consumptive and nonconsumptive users alike. Present and future generations of law abiding outdoorsmen are the victims. Poachers erode public support of hunting and fishing. They threaten the existence of our sport. In short, poaching is a serious crime, and poachers are nothing more than thieves.

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VIII. Shooting Hours

R657-6-13

Wild turkey may be taken only between one-half hour before official sunrise through one-half hour after official sunset. Consult the time zone map for differences in shooting hours.

Official Sunrise/Sunset

MARCH 2004

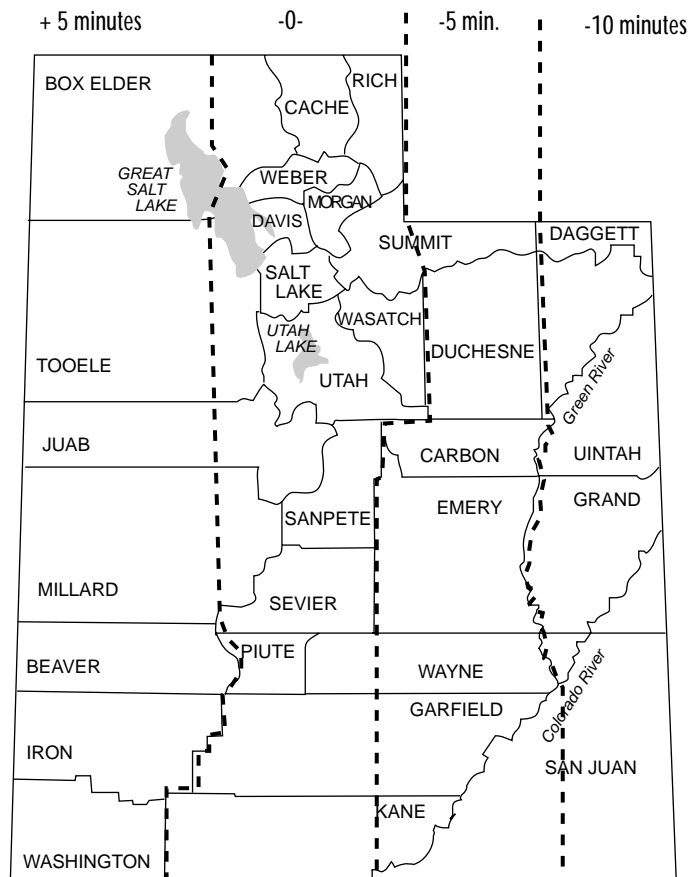
Day	Sunrise A.M.	Sunset P.M.
30	6:15	6:50
31	6:14	6:51

APRIL 2004

Day	Sunrise A.M.	Sunset P.M.
1	6:12	6:52
2	6:10	6:53
3	6:09	6:54
4	7:07	7:56
5	7:05	7:57
6	7:04	7:58
7	7:02	7:59
8	7:01	8:00
9	6:59	8:01
10	6:57	8:02
11	6:56	8:03
12	6:54	8:04
13	6:53	8:05
14	6:51	8:06
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16	6:48	8:08
17	6:46	8:09
18	6:45	8:10
19	6:43	8:11
20	6:42	8:12
21	6:41	8:13
22	6:39	8:14
23	6:38	8:15
24	6:36	8:16
25	6:35	8:18
26	6:33	8:19
27	6:32	8:20
28	6:31	8:21
29	6:29	8:22
30	6:28	8:23
31		

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Sunrise A.M.	Sunset P.M.
6:27	8:24
6:25	8:25
6:24	8:26
6:23	8:27
6:22	8:28
6:21	8:29
6:19	8:30
6:18	8:31
6:17	8:32
6:16	8:33
6:15	8:34
6:14	8:35
6:13	8:36
6:12	8:37
6:11	8:38
6:10	8:39
6:09	8:40
6:08	8:41
6:07	8:42
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6:06	8:44
6:05	8:45
6:04	8:45
6:03	8:46
6:03	8:47
6:02	8:48
6:01	8:49
6:01	8:50
6:00	8:50
6:00	8:51
5:59	8:52



Time Zone Map

Adjust Shooting Hours According To The Map Above

The Division of Wildlife Resources is funded by the sale of hunting and fishing licenses and through federal aid made possible through an excise tax on the sale of firearms and other hunting- and fishing-related equipment.

License Suspension

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources has the authority to suspend hunting and fishing privileges for wildlife violations if the Division deems that the violation was committed knowingly, intentionally or recklessly. Any person who is convicted of, pleads guilty to, no contest to, or enters a plea in abeyance to, a wildlife violation may be subject to administrative suspension. Notification of such action is generally served only after criminal proceedings have been concluded. Any Utah order of suspension may be recognized in other states participating in the Wildlife Violator Compact.

IX. Wild Turkey Permit Numbers, Season Dates and Areas Open

R657-6-37(2)

TURKEY BONUS POINT CODE (use if applying for a bonus point only)

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HUNT NAME	SEASON DATES	PUBLIC PERMITS	HUNT NUMBER	LANDOWNER PERMITS	HUNT NUMBER	TOTAL PERMITS
RIO GRANDE: USE THE BLUE 3-DIGIT HUNT NUMBER ON APPLICATION						
BEAVER (A)	04/03 – 04/16	15	101	3	501	18
BEAVER (B)	04/17 – 05/07	15	102	3	502	18
BEAVER (C)	05/08 – 05/31	15	103	3	503	18
BOOK CLIFFS (SOUTH)	04/06 – 05/31	3	104	1	504	4
CACHE (WEST) (EARLY)*	04/03 – 04/16	10	105	2	505	12
CACHE (WEST) (LATE)*	04/17 – 05/09	10	106	2	506	12
CACHE (EAST) (EARLY)*	04/03 – 04/16	10	107	2	507	12
CACHE (EAST) (LATE)*	04/17 – 05/09	10	108	2	508	12
CAINEVILLE	04/03 – 05/09	6	109	1	509	7
CENTRAL REGION (WEST)	04/19 – 05/31	5	110	1	510	6
CHALK CREEK (EARLY)*	04/03 – 04/16	10	111	2	511	12
CHALK CREEK (LATE)*	04/17 – 05/09	10	112	2	512	12
COLORADO RIVER (A)*	04/03 – 04/18	5	113	1	513	6
COLORADO RIVER (B)*	04/19 – 05/02	5	114	1	514	6
COLORADO RIVER (C)*	05/03 – 05/31	5	115	1	515	6
DUCHESNE COUNTY (EARLY)*	04/17 – 04/30	10	116	2	516	12
DUCHESNE COUNTY (LATE)*	05/01 – 05/14	10	117	2	517	12
EAST CANYON (EARLY)*	04/03 – 04/16	10	118	2	518	12
EAST CANYON (LATE)*	04/17 – 05/09	10	119	2	519	12
EMERY COUNTY (WEST)*	04/03 – 05/09	4	120	1	520	5
FILLMORE, OAK CREEK (A)	04/03 – 04/16	12	121	2	521	14
FILLMORE, OAK CREEK (B)	04/17 – 05/07	12	122	2	522	14
FILLMORE, OAK CREEK (C)	05/08 – 05/31	12	123	2	523	14
FILLMORE, PAHVANT (A)	04/03 – 04/16	20	124	4	524	24
FILLMORE, PAHVANT (B)	04/17 – 05/07	20	125	4	525	24
FILLMORE, PAHVANT (C)	05/08 – 05/31	20	126	4	526	24
GREEN RIVER (A)*	04/03 – 04/18	8	127	2	527	10
GREEN RIVER (B)*	04/19 – 05/02	8	128	2	528	10
GREEN RIVER (C)*	05/03 – 05/31	8	129	2	529	10
JUAB (A)	04/17 – 05/02	6	130	1	530	7
JUAB (B)	05/03 – 05/16	6	131	1	531	7
JUAB (C)	05/17 – 05/31	6	132	1	532	7
KAIPAROWITS	04/03 – 05/09	8	133	2	533	10
MONROE MOUNTAIN (EARLY)	04/03 – 04/25	4	134	1	534	5
MONROE MOUNTAIN (LATE)	05/01 – 05/31	4	135	1	535	5
MORGAN – SOUTH RICH (MORGAN, RICH AND WEBER COUNTIES) (EARLY)*	04/03 – 04/16	5	136	1	536	6
MORGAN – SOUTH RICH (MORGAN, RICH AND WEBER COUNTIES) (LATE)*	04/17 – 05/09	5	137	1	537	6
MOUNT DUTTON	04/03 – 05/09	7	138	1	538	8
OGDEN (CACHE COUNTY PART)*	04/03 – 05/09	5	139	1	539	6
OGDEN (SOUTH) (EARLY)*	04/03 – 04/16	20	140	4	540	24
OGDEN (SOUTH) (LATE)*	04/17 – 05/09	20	141	4	541	24
OGDEN, MIDDLE FORK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA	04/03 – 05/09	5	142	0		5

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OQUIRRH MOUNTAINS (EARLY)*	04/24 – 05/09	12	143	2	543	14
OQUIRRH MOUNTAINS (LATE)*	05/15 – 05/31	12	144	2	544	14
PAUNSAUGUNT (EARLY)	04/10 – 04/25	10	145	2	545	12
PAUNSAUGUNT (LATE)	05/01 – 05/31	17	146	3	546	20
PANGUITCH LAKE	04/03 – 05/09	8	147	2	547	10
PINE VALLEY (A)*	04/03 – 04/16	30	148	6	548	36
PINE VALLEY (B)*	04/17 – 05/07	30	149	6	549	36
PINE VALLEY (C)*	05/08 – 05/31	30	150	6	550	36
SOUTHWEST DESERT	04/03 – 05/09	5	151	1	551	6
STANSBURY MOUNTAINS (EARLY)	04/24 – 05/09	8	152	2	552	10
STANSBURY MOUNTAINS (LATE)	05/15 – 05/31	8	153	2	553	10
UINTAH COUNTY (EARLY)*	04/10 – 04/25	30	154	6	554	36
UINTAH COUNTY (LATE)*	04/26 – 05/09	30	155	6	555	36
UTAH COUNTY NORTH (A)	04/17 – 05/02	20	156	4	556	24
UTAH COUNTY NORTH (B)	05/03 – 05/16	20	157	4	557	24
UTAH COUNTY NORTH (C)	05/17 – 05/31	20	158	4	558	24
UTAH COUNTY SOUTH (A)	04/17 – 05/02	10	159	2	559	12
UTAH COUNTY SOUTH (B)	05/03 – 05/16	10	160	2	560	12
UTAH COUNTY SOUTH (C)	05/17 – 05/31	10	161	2	561	12
WASATCH COUNTY (EARLY)	04/24 – 05/09	7	162	1	562	8
WASATCH COUNTY (LATE)	05/15 – 05/31	7	163	1	563	8
TOTAL		733		145		878

MERRIAM'S: USE THE BLUE 3-DIGIT HUNT NUMBER ON APPLICATION

HUNT NAME	SEASON DATES	PUBLIC PERMITS	HUNT NUMBER	LANDOWNER PERMITS	HUNT NUMBER	TOTAL PERMITS
BOULDER MOUNTAIN (EARLY)	04/17 – 04/28	50	201	10	601	60
BOULDER MOUNTAIN (LATE)	05/01 – 05/31	50	202	10	602	60
LA SAL (EARLY)	04/17 – 05/02	20	203	4	603	24
LA SAL (LATE)	05/05 – 05/31	30	204	6	604	36
SAN JUAN (EARLY)	04/17 – 05/02	35	205	7	605	42
SAN JUAN (LATE)	05/05 – 05/31	50	206	10	606	60
ZION (EARLY)*	04/17 – 04/28	75	207	15	607	90
ZION (LATE)*	05/01 – 05/31	100	208	20	608	120
TOTAL		410		82		492

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Rio Grande

Beaver (Hunt #101, 102, 103, 501, 502, 503)
Iron, Garfield, Piute, Beaver and Millard counties—Boundary begins at I-15 and I-70; east on I-70 to US-89; south on US-89 to SR-20; west on SR-20 to I-15; north on I-15 to I-70. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Book Cliffs (South) (Hunt #104, 504)
Grand and Uintah counties—Beginning at I-70 and Floy Canyon (Exit 173); northeast up Floy Canyon to the Book Cliffs Divide; east along the Book Cliffs Divide to the Utah-Colorado state line; south along the state line to I-70; west along I-70 to Floy Canyon (Exit 173). Boundary Questions? Call DWR Price office at (435) 636-0260.

Cache (West) (Hunt #105, 106, 505, 506)
Cache and Box Elder counties—Boundary begins at I-15 at Exit 364; north on I-15 to the Utah-Idaho state line; east along the state line to US-91; south on US-91 to US-89/91; south and west on US-89/91 to I-15 at Exit 364. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Cache (East) (Hunt #107, 108, 507, 508)
Cache, Rich and Weber counties—Boundary begins at the junction of SR-101 and US-89/91; north along US-89/91 to US-91; north along US-91 to the Utah-Idaho state line; east along the state line to US-89; south on US-89 to the Cache County line; south along the county line to SR-39; west on SR-39 to Ant Flat Road; north on Ant Flat Road to SR-101; west on SR-101 to US 89/91. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Caineville (Hunt #109, 509)
Wayne County—One mile either side of the Fremont River from Capital Reef National Park to Hanksville. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Price office at (435) 636-0260.

Central Region (West) (Hunt #110, 510)
Juab, Tooele and Utah counties—Boundary begins at I-15 and SR-73 in Lehi; south on I-15 to Nephi and SR-132; southwest on SR-132 to US-6 at Lynndyl; north on US-6 to the Sand Dunes Road at Jericho Junction; west on this road passing north of Desert Mountain to

the Old River Bed Road; north on this road to the Pony Express Road; east on this road to SR-73 (5-mile Pass); north and east along SR-73 to I-15. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Springville office at (801) 491-5678.

Chalk Creek (Hunt # 111, 112, 511, 512)
Summit and Duchesne counties—Boundary begins at the junction of I-84 and I-80 near Echo; northeast on I-80 to the Utah-Wyoming state line; southeast along this state line to SR-150; south on SR-150 to Pass Lake and the Weber River Trail; west on this trail to Holiday Park and the Weber River Road; west on this road to SR-32; northwest on SR-32 to I-80 and Wanship; north on I-80 to I-84 near Echo. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Colorado River (Hunt #113, 114, 115, 513, 514, 515)
Grand County—One mile either side of the Colorado and Dolores rivers from the Utah-Colorado state line to Dewey Bridge. This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Price office at (435) 636-0260.

Duchesne County (Hunt #116, 117, 516, 517)
Duchesne County—All of Duchesne County, except the Strawberry River drainage above Starvation Reservoir, which is closed. This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Vernal office at (435) 781-9453.

East Canyon (Hunt # 118, 119, 518, 519)
Morgan and Summit counties—Boundary begins at the Henefer-Echo exit on I-84; south on SR-65 to the Morgan County line at Big Mountain; west and north along this county line to I-84; east on I-84 to the Henefer-Echo exit. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Emery County West (Hunt #120, 520)
Emery County—All of Emery County west of US-6 and north of I-70. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Price office at (435) 636-0260.

Fillmore, Oak Creek (Hunt #121, 122, 123, 521, 522, 523)
Millard, Sevier, Sanpete and Juab counties—Boundary begins at I-15 and the Black Rock Road; west on the Black Rock Road to SR-257; north on SR-257 to US-50/6; north on US-50/6 to US-6; northeast on US-6 to SR-132; northeast on SR-132 to I-15; south on I-15 to the Black Rock Road. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Fillmore, Pahvant (Hunt #124, 125, 126, 524, 525, 526)
Millard, Juab, Sanpete and Sevier counties—Boundary begins at I-70 and I-15; north on I-15 to SR-28; south on SR-28 to US-89; south on US-89 to I-70; west on I-70 to I-15. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Green River (Hunt #127, 128, 129, 527, 528, 529)
Emery and Grand counties—Two miles either side of the Green River from the confluence of the Price River to Ten Mile Canyon. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Price office at (435) 636-0260.

Juab (Hunt #130, 131, 132, 530, 531, 532)
Juab and Sanpete counties—Boundary begins at the Sanpete County line and US-89; south on US-89 to SR-28 (Gunnison); north along SR-28 to I-15; north on I-15 to the Juab County line; southeast on this county line to the Sanpete County line; east on this county line to US-89. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Springville office at (801) 491-5678.

Kaiparowits (Hunt #133, 533)
Kane and Garfield counties—Boundary begins at the Paria River and the Utah-Arizona state line; north along the Paria River to SR-12; east on SR-12 to the Burr Trail at Boulder; southeast on the Burr Trail to Lake Powell; southwest along the shore of Lake Powell to the Utah-Arizona state line; west along this state line to the Paria River. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Monroe Mountain (Hunt #134, 135, 534, 535)
Piute and Sevier counties—Boundary begins at I-70 and US-89 near Sigurd; south on US-89 to SR-24; east on SR-24 to SR-62; south and west on SR-62 to US-89; north on US-89 to I-70. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Morgan-South Rich (Hunt #136, 137, 536, 537)
Morgan, Rich and Weber counties—Boundary begins at SR-167 at Mountain Green; north on SR-167 to SR-39; east along SR-39 to SR-16; south and east on SR-16 to

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the Utah-Wyoming state line; south along the state line to I-80; west on I-80 to the Summit County line; west along the county line to the Beaver Dam Hollow Road; west on the Beaver Dam Hollow Road to the Francis Canyon Road; north and west on the Francis Canyon Road to the Lost Creek Road; south and west on the Lost Creek Road to I-84; west on I-84 to SR-167. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Mount Dutton (Hunt #138, 538)

Garfield and Piute counties—Boundary begins at US-89 and SR-62; south on US-89 to SR-12; east on SR-12 to the Widtsoe-Antimony road; north on the Widtsoe-Antimony road to SR-22; north on SR-22 to SR-62; west on SR-62 to US-89. Boundary questions? Call DWR Cedar City office, (435) 865-6100.

Ogden (Cache County Part) (Hunt #139, 539)

Cache and Box Elder counties—Boundary begins at Hyrum and SR-101; east on SR-101 to the Ant Flat Road (Hardware Ranch); south on this road to the Cache-Weber county line; west on this county line to the Box Elder-Weber county line; west on this county line to I-15; north on I-15 to Exit 364 and US-91; northeast on US-91 to SR-101; east on SR-101 to Hyrum. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Ogden (South) (Hunt #140, 141, 540, 541)

Weber County—Boundary begins at I-15 and the Weber-Box Elder county line; south on I-15 to I-84; east on I-84 to Mountain Green and SR-167 (Trappers Loop Road); north on SR-167 to SR-39; east on SR-39 to the Ant Flat Road; north on the Ant Flat Road to the Weber-Cache county line; west on this county line to the Weber-Box Elder county line; west on this county line to I-15. **THESE HUNTS EXCLUDE THE MIDDLE FORK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA. This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Ogden, Middle Fork Wildlife Management Area (Hunt #142)

Weber County—The hunt boundary is the Middle Fork Wildlife Management Area. Maps are available at the DWR Ogden office. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Ogden office at (801) 476-2740.

Oquirrh Mountains (Hunt #143, 144, 543, 544)

Salt Lake, Tooele and Utah counties—Boundary begins at I-80 and I-15 in Salt Lake County; south on I-15 to SR-73; west on SR-73 to SR-36; north on SR-36 to I-80; east on I-80 to I-15. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Springville office at (801) 491-5678.

Paunsaugunt (Hunt #145, 146, 545, 546)

Garfield and Kane counties—Boundary begins at US-89A and the Utah-Arizona state line; north on US-89A to US-89; north on US-89 to SR-12; east on SR-12 to the Paria River; south along the Paria River to the Utah-Arizona state line; west along this state line to US-89A. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Panguitch Lake (Hunt #147, 547)

Garfield, Iron and Kane counties—Boundary begins at SR-14 and US-89; north on US-89 to SR-20; west on SR-20 to I-15; south on I-15 to SR-143; south on SR-143 to SR-148; south on SR-148 to SR-14; east on SR-14 to US-89. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Pine Valley (Hunt #148, 149, 150, 548, 549, 550)

Iron and Washington counties—Boundary begins at I-15 and the Utah-Arizona state line; north on I-15 to SR-56; west on SR-56 to the Lund Highway; northwest along the Lund Highway to the Union Pacific railroad tracks at Lund; southwest on the Union Pacific railroad tracks to the Utah-Nevada state line; south on this state line to the Utah-Arizona state line; east on this state line to I-15. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Southwest Desert (Hunt #151, 551)

Beaver, Iron, and Millard counties—Boundary begins at US-50/6 and the Utah-Nevada state line; east on US-50/6 to SR-257; south on SR-257 to SR-21; south on SR-21 to SR-130; south on SR-130 to I-15; south on I-15 to SR-56; west on SR-56 to the Lund Highway; northwest on the Lund Highway to the Union Pacific railroad tracks at Lund; southwest on the Union Pacific railroad tracks to the Utah-Nevada state line; north on this state line to US-50/6. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

Stansbury Mountains (Hunt # 152, 153, 552, 553)

Tooele County—Beginning at the junction of SR-36 and US-112; south on SR-36 to the Pony Express Road; west on this road to the Dugway Road; north on this road to

SR-199 near Dugway; east on SR-199 to SR-196 (Skull Valley Road); north on SR-196 to I-80; east on I-80 to SR-138; southeast on SR-138 to SR-112 to SR-36. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Springville office at (801) 491-5678.

Uintah County (Hunt #154, 155, 554, 555)

Uintah County—All of Uintah County except that portion south of the White River and east of the Green River below the White River confluence. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Vernal office at (435) 781-9453.

Utah County (North) (Hunt #156, 157, 158, 556, 557, 558)

Utah County—That part of Utah County east of I-15 and north of US-6. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Springville office at (801) 491-5678.

Utah County (South) (Hunt #159, 160, 161, 559, 560, 561)

Utah County—That part of Utah County east of I-15 and south of US-6. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Springville office at (801) 491-5678.

Wasatch County (Hunt #162, 163, 562, 563)

Wasatch County—All of Wasatch County. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Springville office at (801) 491-5678.

On the Cover

"Off the Roost"

By Paul Twitchell



Paul Twitchell moved to northern Utah at an early age and developed a fascination for nature and the love of the outdoors.

Paul studied Art while attending Weber State University, where he received a degree in Botany and Zoology.

Watercolor is his preferred medium because the transparency of the paint, combined with the perpetual motion of the medium, create vivid representations that reflect serenity and action at the same time.

For information about his artwork, to buy originals or limited edition prints, contact Paul at (801) 825-7151.

Merriam's

Boulder Mountain (Hunt #201, 202, 601, 602)

Garfield, Piute, and Wayne counties—Boundary begins at SR-24 and SR-62; south on SR-62 to SR-22; south on SR-22 to the Antimony-Widtsøe road; south on the Antimony-Widtsøe road to SR-12; east on SR-12 to the Burr Trail at Boulder; east on the Burr Trail road to the Notom Road; north on the Notom Road to SR-24; west on SR-24 to SR-62. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

La Sal (Hunt #203, 204, 603, 604)

Grand and San Juan counties—Boundary begins at the junction of SR-128 and US-191; then south on US-191 to SR-46; east on SR-46 to the Lisbon Valley road; southeast on this road to the Island Mesa road; east on this road to the Utah-Colorado state line; north on this state line to a point one mile south of the Dolores River; west on a line one mile south of the Dolores River to SR-128; southwest on SR-128 to US-191. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Price office at (435) 636-0260.

San Juan (Hunt #205, 206, 605, 606)

Grand and San Juan counties—Beginning at Moab at the junction of the Colorado River and US-191; then south on US-191 to the Big Indian Road; east on this road to the Lisbon Valley road; east on this road to the Island Mesa road; east on this road to the Utah-Colorado state line; south on this state line to the Navajo Indian Reservation boundary; west on this boundary to Lake Powell; north on this lake to the Colorado River; north on this river to Moab. Boundary Questions? Call DWR Price office at (435) 636-0260.

Zion (Hunt #207, 208, 607, 608)





Garfield, Iron and Kane counties—Boundary begins at SR-14 and US-89; west on SR-14 to SR-148; north on SR-148 to SR-143; north and west on SR-143 to I-15; south on I-15 to the Utah-Arizona state line; east on the Utah-Arizona state line to US-89A; north on US-89A to US-89; north on US-89 to SR-14. **This hunt is comprised of all or largely private property. Hunters should acquire written permission from the landowner before applying for this hunt.** Boundary Questions? Call DWR Cedar City office at (435) 865-6100.

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Responsible OHV use

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources encourages responsible OHV use. While most OHV users are responsible, misuse results in disturbance to wildlife, damage to wildlife habitat, and personal injury.

Please be aware that unlawful OHV use is a criminal offense. Utah Division of Wildlife Resources' Conservation Officers and State Parks & Recreation's Rangers regularly enforce all OHV regulations, including:

-  riding an OHV in closed or restricted areas and roadways;
-  harassment of wildlife;
-  helmet-law regulations; and
-  OHV operator age restriction regulations.

Many designated roads and trails on public lands are available to responsible OHV users. You may obtain a copy of a "Travel Opportunity Guide" from the appropriate federal land management agencies (USDA Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management). Please refer to the "Travel Opportunity Guide" for locations where you can ride. Under Utah state law, all public lands are closed to OHV use unless designated open by map, sign, or description. The closures protect sensitive natural resources such as watersheds and valued wildlife habitats, and ensure public safety.

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources owns and manages several hundred thousand acres of Wildlife Management Areas across the state for wildlife purposes. Controlled OHV use on these lands protects wildlife and their habitats.



Utah law also requires youth, ages 8 to 16, to receive OHV certification before operating an OHV on open public-land roads and trails. Certification classes teach safety and instill ethics in young OHV users. Remember, to be a responsible rider also means receiving proper education.

Please call
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to enroll in the OHV safety certification classes.

Protect your privilege, stay on designated roads and trails. Have fun by taking time out to hunt, fish, photograph or watch wildlife.

Be a responsible OHV user so you can help ensure a wildlife heritage for future generations.



Utah Wildlife – Public Meetings

To provide the public a way to give input to the Division of Wildlife Resources and the Utah Wildlife Board about wildlife management in Utah, Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) were established throughout the state in the mid-1990s.

There are five RACs in Utah. Each consists of 12 to 15 members selected from the specific community or region. Each RAC has the following:

- two members who represent agriculture
- two members who represent sportsmen
- two members who represent non-consumptive use
- one member who represents business interests
- one member who is a locally appointed public official
- one member from the USDA Forest Service
- one member from the Bureau of Land Management
- two members of the public-at-large, who represent the general interests of the region
- where applicable, one member who represents Native American interests

Members are appointed by the executive director of the Department of Natural Resources, in consultation with the director of the Division of Wildlife Resources. Members may serve up to two, two-year terms. Each Division regional supervisor serves as the executive secretary for the RAC in his region, just as the Division director serves as the executive secretary for the Wildlife Board.

RACs hold meetings to hear public input about Division of Wildlife Resources proposals, including recommendations, biological data and information about the effects of wildlife. The RACs also gather information from their constituents, the public and government agencies, and make recommendations to the Wildlife Board in an advisory capacity.

Each RAC is charged with hearing different viewpoints and controversial issues. They must incorporate all perspectives and come to the decision that they feel is best for all of Utah's wildlife and its citizens.

Each RAC appoints a chairperson who attends Wildlife Board meetings and presents RAC recommendations to the Wildlife Board during an open public meeting.

The public is invited to give its input and comments to the RACs. After deliberating on the issues, RAC members vote. Motions that pass are taken to the Wildlife Board.

The Wildlife Board has the final decision making authority. Board members weigh heavily on RAC recommendations when making their final decisions.

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- RAC meetings in the Northeastern Region are held at the Vernal City Offices, 447 E. Main St. in Vernal.
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- The Northern, Central and Southern regions meetings are held in a different location each month.

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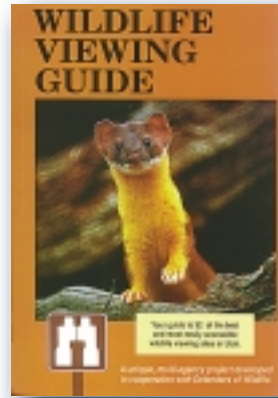


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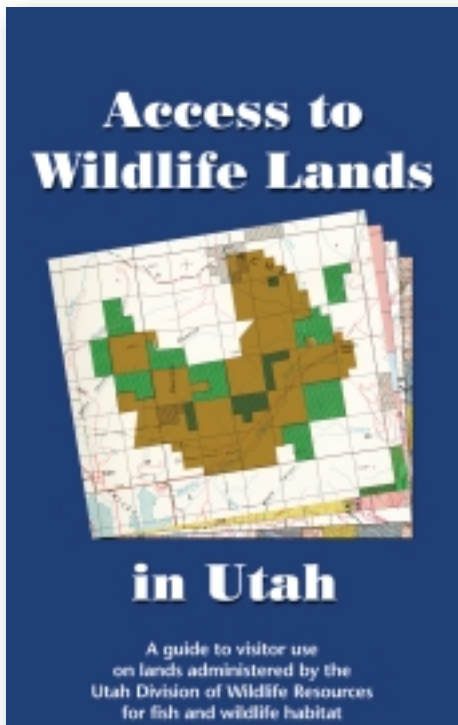
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